



Texas veterans deserve the best. Through their courage at places like the Ardennes, Okinawa, Bastogne, Inchon, the Mekong Delta, Kuwait, Baghdad—or right here at home—they have earned our perpetual respect and gratitude. They deserve a special resting place, a dignified memorial where friends, family and fellow Texans can honor their sacrifice.

As Texas Land Commissioner and Chairman of the Texas Veterans Land Board, I am proud to introduce you to our Texas State Veterans Cemeteries. These hallowed grounds are another expression of our respect for the Texas men and women who have served our nation with distinction. Created through a partnership between the State of Texas and the federal VA, the Texas State Veterans Cemeteries are owned and managed by the Texas Veterans Land Board. They are exclusively for veterans and their spouses and are meant to complement the current national cemeteries here in Texas, providing Texas veterans unique places of rest closer to friends and family.

Please take a moment to see how we can help honor you or a veteran family member with perpetual care at a Texas State Veterans Cemetery. Call for more information, or stop by and visit one of the locations. I look forward to hearing from you.

*Jerry Patterson*

**JERRY PATTERSON**  
Texas Land Commissioner  
Chairman, Texas Veterans Land Board

## *A Place of Honor*

- ☆ For veterans, their spouses or surviving spouses, and dependent children.
- ☆ Open for interments Monday through Friday; open for visitation 8-5 every day.
- ☆ Options for interment include full-casketed burial, in-ground burial of cremated remains, a columbarium niche for cremated remains, or a memorial garden for scattering of ashes.
- ☆ Services include opening and closing of grave or columbarium niche, provision of a grave liner, and a facility for committal service.
- ☆ Beneficiaries are entitled to all veterans' benefits including memorial headstone or marker, memorial flag, presidential certificate, and military honors.
- ☆ There is no charge for veterans and a small charge of \$300 for spouses and dependents.



## *Dignity*

- ☆ Marble or granite headstones and markers. (For the type of headstones and markers used, please contact the cemetery.)
- ☆ Well-maintained grounds.
- ☆ Professional and courteous staff.
- ☆ Ceremonial grounds with service flag plaza for special events to honor veterans.
- ☆ Computerized grave locator in public information center.
- ☆ Covered committal shelter for pre-interment service.
- ☆ Memorial walk and garden.
- ☆ Avenue of flags displayed on special holidays.
- ☆ Opportunities for community and veteran volunteers.



# Locations

## Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery

11463 State Highway 195  
Killeen, Texas 76542  
Office: 254-616-1770  
Fax: 254-616-1769

## Rio Grande Valley State Veterans Cemetery

2520 South Inspiration Road  
Mission, Texas 78572  
Office: 956-583-7227  
Fax: 956-583-7887

## Texas State Veterans Cemetery at Abilene

7457 West Lake Road  
Abilene, Texas 79601  
Office: 325-673-4446  
Fax: 325-673-4448

Office Hours for all Cemeteries  
8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Friday

## Coastal Bend State Veterans Cemetery

IH-37 at Carbon Plant Road  
Corpus Christi, Texas  
(Expected Opening 2012)

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